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MEMORANDUM

То:	Eimear Monaghan
From:	Jonathan Deane, Senior Engineer, Water Services, Environment and Climate action.
Date:	01/04/2022
Subject:	Part 8 consent for PV solar panels on the roof of the Civic Centre, Church Street, Athlone, Co. Westmeath

Eimear,

The proposed system will consist 138-140 x 375Wp solar modules on a ballasted 10° mounting system, which will be connected to 3 phase inverters and erected on the roof area above the administrative offices at the Civic Centre, Church Street, Athlone.

PV Panels will typically be rectangular in shape, approx. 1.7m x 1m in size with an output between 200-380 Wp.

An initial Appropriate Assessment and Environmental Impact Assessment considered the scale, siting and duration of the development, to which we are confident that there will be no significant effect to a Natura 2000 site, or environmental concerns of any form.

Glint and Glare screening considered the potential for any visual hazards caused by the photovoltaic panels, but due to the location and positioning of the panels further analysis for glint and glare potential was deemed unnecessary.

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